



### PATENT APPLICATION

# IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

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For:

MODIFIED BIO-RELATED SUBSTANCE, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING THE SAME,

AND INTERMEDIATE

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

### MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows on the accompanying pages.

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